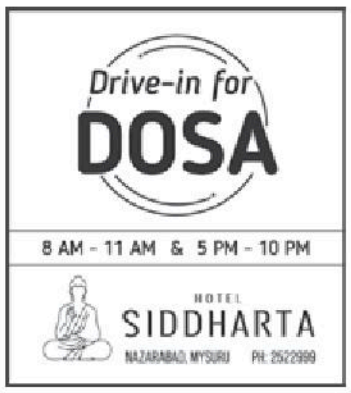

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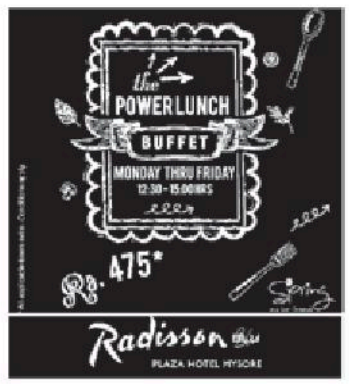


Technical glitch hits COVID test for 3 hours

- **Students outnumber public at RT-PCR testing centres**
- **No 'positive' students in last three days**

Students and public undergoing free RT-PCR test near Chikkagadiyara in city this morning.

Mysuru, Nov. 19 (PM, RKB& SSV)- A technical glitch at Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) server hit the RT-PCR testing in Mysuru city for over three hours today since 10 am. Non-generation of One Time Password (OTP) in the RT-PCR App had stopped COVID testing at all 23 centres in city.

The fault was finally rectified at around 12.45 pm and about 50 persons were tested between 12.45 pm and 1.30 pm at Town Hall centre.

A senior officer of Health Department told *Star of Mysore* that this matter had been brought to the notice of Delhi officials and the same had also been conveyed to National Informatics Centre (NIC), New Delhi which sought time to address this issue.

Big queues

Since morning, a large number of students had gathered at Chikkagadiyara, Town Hall, K.R. Hospital and other locations to undergo free testing following instructions from their respective College managements to produce COVID-19 negative report at the time of attending offline classes. At Chikkagadiyara, token was issued to the waiting students to avoid rush after setting right the fault.

Five teams at Gangothri

Meanwhile, Health Department has deployed five teams at Manasagangothri campus this morning following request from the University authorities to conduct RT-PCR test for over 700 teaching and non-teaching staff of various Departments. Five camps were set up inside the campus to conduct test. Five teams comprising three to four personnel in each team were posted in the campus to work in two shifts. "We have decided to complete testing of all teaching and non-teaching staff today," an officer on the condition of anonymity said.

No 'positive' students

An officer, who looks after RT-PCR test, told this paper that all students who have been tested in the last three to four days have tested 'negative'. This was really good news as they can attend offline classes whenever it was held. Results of tests held today are likely to be available by Friday evening or Saturday morning.

In the wake of reports of not following social distancing at Chikkagadiyara and other testing centres, instruction had been given to make every student to wear face mask compulsorily and maintain social distancing.

Students outnumber public

Students have outnumbered the general public in undergoing RT-PCR test in order to attend offline classes from Monday.

Test result and consent letter from parents have been made mandatory for every final year student to attend offline classes. So, they turned up before the testing centres to undergo free testing done at 23 locations across the city. Two to three mobile testing squads have been deployed in Colleges for the sake of students, teaching and non-teaching staff.

One Student - One Teacher

Only one student turned up yesterday to attend classes, said Dr. B.T. Vijay, Principal, Maharani's Arts College. He told *SOM*, "Four students of the total 673 final year students attended the classes today. On first day (Nov. 17), 50 attended and yesterday only one student turned up. But, our lecturer took the class for one girl. Since online classes are also held along with offline, many students have sought time till Sunday to get RT-PCR tested and mentally prepared to attend College from Nov. 23. Those who came to College without negative test report were sent back."

Bengaluru Tech Summit

Digital India has become a way of life: PM Modi

Bengaluru, Nov.19 (SSV)- Prime Minister Narendra Modi today said Digital India is no longer being seen as any regular Government initiative but it has become a way of life.

Speaking after inaugurating 'Bengaluru Tech Summit' through video-conferencing this morning, he said thanks to Digital India, the nation has witnessed a more human-centric approach to development. Using technology on such a large scale has brought about several life changes for our citizens. The benefits are for everyone to see. The Government has successfully created a market for digital and tech solutions, but it has made technology a key part of all schemes, he said.

"Our governance model is technology first. Through technology, we have enhanced human dignity. Millions of farmers receive monetary support in one click. At the peak of COVID-19 lockdown, it was technology that ensured that India's poor received proper and quick assistance. The scale of this relief has few parallels. If India is successfully operating the world's largest Healthcare scheme, *Ayushman Bharat*, it is due to a big role of technology. This scheme has specially helped the poor of India. Now, they no longer have to worry about access to top quality and affordable healthcare in any part of India."

He said the Government of India has used the power of data analytics to ensure better service delivery and efficiency. Internet came to India around 25 years ago. As per a report, the number of internet connections recently crossed the 750 million milestone. Over half of these numbers joined in the last four years only. Technology is the prime reason the schemes have gone beyond files and changed lives of people at such a speed and scale. Today, when they are able to help the poor build their home at an unprecedented scale, it was due to technology.

To Our Readers

Turn to Page-6 for Abracadabra titled ***"Rambling thoughts on Arnab Goswami's arrest, release and our legal system."*** —Ed

Mysuru COVID-19 UPDATE

Figures as per Government Media Bulletin released last evening

Positive cases yesterday	:	97
Total positive cases	:	49,697
Discharges yesterday	:	101
Total discharges	:	47,985
Deaths yesterday	:	1
Total deaths	:	983
Total active cases	:	729

STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Thursday 19th November 2020

Postmen to provide Life Certificate to pensioners at doorstep

Mysuru, Nov. 19- In a relief to pensioners, Postmen will now provide doorstep service to pensioners for submitting their Life Certificates.

In general, all pensioners are required to submit Jeevan Pramaan Patra (Life Certificate) every year in the month of November to continue withdrawal of pension. Till recently, all pensioners had to visit their banks in November every year to render a 'Life Certificate.'

Recently, India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) of Department of Posts has launched the doorstep life certificate submission service for pensioners. They also have option of submitting Life Certificate at the nearest Post Office.

The process will be undertaken using mobile phone and biometrics. Now, pensioners can contact and submit their request to the postman or visit the nearest Post Office. The service will attract a nominal fee of Rs 70.

All Central and State Government pensioners of all Departments who have to submit Life Certificate can avail this service.

Central Pensioners Assn.

The members of Central Government Pensioners Association, Mysuru, may submit their Life Certificate at the nearest Post Office or avail the doorstep service of Postman, according to Association President Dr. T.S. Sathyanarayana Rao.

No visitors to Golden Temple in Bylakuppe till Feb. 11

Mysuru, Nov. 19- As the number of COVID-19 positive cases are still on a rise, the Namdroling Monastery (Golden Temple) in Bylakuppe will remain closed for the visitors until Feb.11, 2021.

"Our monastery has taken this decision to ensure the safety of everyone from the virus, as prevention is better than cure," stated a press release from the Administration Office of Namdroling Monastery.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

What's mind? Doesn't matter. What's matter? Never mind. That old exchange sums up the supposed duality, the separation, between what we call the mental and the physical, between the mind and the matter that makes up the tangible world, which includes our bodies. This separation of mind and matter, the mental and the physical, has often been called into question, as it is once again as a side effect of the Coronavirus pandemic and the global search for a vaccine against the pathogen.

Trials, some in advanced stages, are being conducted on a number of vaccines in several countries, and many of them use what is known as the placebo double-blind test to determine the efficacy of the medication. The placebo test has long been a standard procedure to determine the efficacy of any drug or vaccine. Participants in the trials with a medical condition are split into two groups, one of which is administered the medication while the other group is given a harmless substitute, a placebo. Neither group of participants, nor those administering the treatment, are told which is the real medication and which is the placebo. The surprising finding of such trials has been that the medical condition of the group being given the placebo often shows measurable improvement, suggesting that a psychological factor can affect the physical, that the mind and the body are linked in ways we do not fully understand. Age-old practices like meditation have shown that through the focussing of consciousness, the channelling of mental energy, we cause metabolic and physical changes, such as slowing the heart beat and lowering blood pressure. So called 'faith healing' where 'miracle' cures of seemingly incurable disease and disability through the power of prayer and belief have long been dismissed by mainstream science as mumbo-jumbo. But now, thanks to the placebo effect which is widely being used as an investigative tool in the desperate hunt for an antidote to the Coronavirus, science might begin to take such therapies more seriously.

— Jug Suraiya in The Times of India

NEWS SPARKLERS

Live fish stuck in throat in bizarre accident

Beni Suef: A fisherman in Egypt nearly lost his life after one of his catches got stuck in his windpipe, making it almost impossible for him to breathe or retrieve the fish.

Earlier this month, doctors at the emergency room of a hospital in Beni Suef, Egypt, were shocked to discover that a patient had a fish stuck in his throat. Upon examining, they noticed that the fish was stuck at the entrance to the trachea, leaving just enough space for a little air to get through and prevent the man from suffocating before even reaching the hospital.

The doctors performed an endoscopic surgery and ENT specialist Dr. Ali Al-Hajri managed to extract the fish, which was reportedly still alive!

Zip puller-shaped boat looks like opening water

Tokyo: Japanese designer Yasuhiro Suziki has created a unique boat shaped like a giant zipper puller that looks like it's opening up the water when sailing.

Unveiled as part of the Designart Tokyo 2020 event, the zipper puller boat – officially known as 'Zipper Fastener Ship' – is the brain child of Japanese designer Yasuhiro Suzuki, who claims it was the result of a simple observation. He was looking down from the window of an airplane and saw a ship sailing through Tokyo Bay; the movement of the water as the boat passed created the illusion of a zipper splitting the water, just like one opens a jacket, so he decided to create a literal representation of this illusion.

The motorised zipper boat measures 9 meters in length and consists of a chrome-colored body, bridge and a puller that completes the zipper look. It was the centerpiece of an artistic installation titled "Opening the River", which saw the boat travel between Azumabashi and Sakurabashi, on the Sumida River, from Oct. 31 to Nov. 8.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

What causes food to move through my intestines?

The movement of digesting food through the alimentary canal is called peristalsis. The body's nervous system governs the nerve impulses that trigger rhythmic contractions of the bowel at the rate of 3 to 12 times per minute. Amazingly, these constant pulsations occur without our feeling them.

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

COVID-19 UPDATE

Mandya

Figures as per Government Media Bulletin released last evening

Positive cases yesterday	:	56
Total positive cases	:	18,099
Total discharges	:	17,459
Total deaths	:	146
Total active cases	:	494

Chamarajanagar

Positive cases yesterday	:	4
Total positive cases	:	6,218
Total discharges	:	6,005
Total deaths	:	115
Total active cases	:	87

Kodagu

Positive cases yesterday	:	13
Total positive cases	:	5,168
Total discharges	:	5,022
Total deaths	:	65
Total active cases	:	81

Hassan

Positive cases yesterday	:	71
Total positive cases	:	26,545
Total discharges	:	25,570
Total deaths	:	384
Total active cases	:	591

Really...?

- *Peacock feathers are called a 'train'.*
- *Peacock tail covers over 60% of the total length of their bodies.*
- *Peacock feathers have microscopic structures that appear like crystals. Peafowls can make 11 different sounds.*
- *Peafowls have four toes on each foot.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

A child comes home dripping wet.

Mother: *What on earth were you doing?!*

Child: *We were playing dog with my friends. I was the tree!!*

Today's Currency Rate

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 74.26
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 98.22
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 20.22
1 Euro	= Rs. 87.97

VOICE OF THE READER

Plea to open Venugopalaswamy Temple at Hosa Kannambadi

Sir,

Recently I went to Hosa Kannambadi to visit the Venugopalaswamy temple in KRS backwaters. Looks like the temple is closed since COVID-induced lockdown. Even though other temples are opened for devotees, this temple is still shut.

Just 2 kms before reaching the temple there is a board which says the 'Temple is closed for Public.' I could see that there were a good number of visitors who were all disappointed to know that the temple was closed.

When we reached the Tollgate they collected a fee of Rs. 50. When enquired about the opening time of the temple they told us that they don't have any information about it. We are sure that in spite of having information that the temple is closed they did not disclose this to us so that they could collect the toll.

I request the authorities concerned to please keep the public informed so that they don't waste their time, money and effort in travelling all the way to Venugopalaswamy temple.

—**Ganesh Datta**

Mysuru
17.11.2020

Voter list revision drive begins in city

To conclude on Dec.17

Mysuru, Nov. 19 (RK&DM)- The month-long special voter list revision drive in the three Assembly segments of the city — Krishnaraja (KR), Narasimharaja (NR) and Chamaraja — began yesterday. The drive has been undertaken following directions from the Election Commission of India (ECI).

As a first step in this regard, the MCC yesterday published the draft voter list at all the 790 polling booths in the city. The members of the public can go through these lists and file their claims and objections, if any.

During the month-long drive, fresh voters who complete 18 years of age as on Jan.1, 2021, can register for inclusion of their names in the electoral rolls by filling up Form-6.

Apart from new inclusions, the people can seek any corrections, name deletions, change of address etc. However, those who have applied for name inclusion, name deletions etc., during the earlier drive conducted from Jan.1,2020 need not apply again. **The drive will take place on all working days from 10 am till 5.30 pm. Besides, the special drive will also take place on Sundays — Nov. 22, 29 and Dec.6.**

The members of the public can visit their respective polling booths and submit their application to the Booth Level Officer (BLO), according to MCC Election Branch Deputy Tahsildar Prakash.

The citizens can also apply online *https://www.nvsp.in.* The special voter list revision drive will go on till Dec.17.

State Govt. releases Rs.634 crore towards KSRTC staff salary dues

Bengaluru, Nov.19 (KMS& SSV)- The State Government has released Rs.634 crore towards three months pending salary of Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC) employees.

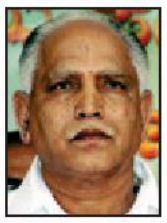
The staff and employees of the State Transport Corporation were unhappy over non-payment of salary even for *Deepavali.*

Deputy Chief Minister and Transport Minister Laxman Savadi took up this matter with Chief Minister B.S.Yediyurappa and had requested him to release the money from the State treasury since the KSRTC did not have funds due to COVID-19 effect.

Responding to the plea, the CM had directed the Finance Department to immediately release Rs.634 crore (75 per cent of the salary grant) towards pending salary of the employees. The rest 25 per cent must be mobilised by the KSRTC.

This has helped in disbursement of salary to 1.30 lakh employees working in KSRTC, BMTC, NWKRTC and NEKRTC. The collection had been badly hit due to non-operation of buses during *Janata Curfew* imposed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi to check spreading of pandemic.

CM gives nod for release of honorarium to Guest Lecturers



Yediyurappa

Mysuru, Nov.19 (PM&DM)- Guest Lecturers coming under the Directorate of Collegiate Education who were on a weekly strike (Tuesdays) for the past few months seeking release of honorarium for the lockdown period, are now a relieved lot as Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa has agreed to sanction funds for the same.

Following an appeal by the Higher Education Department, the CM is said to have approved the Finance Department's proposal for release of grants to meet payment of honorarium to Guest Lecturers for the lockdown period (March - August).

Subsequently, the Finance Department Under-Secretary K.N. Murthy has written a letter to the Principal Secretary of the Higher Education Department. The release of funds will benefit over 14,400 Guest Lecturers serving at Government First Grade Colleges across the State.

The Finance Department will be releasing an additional Rs. 30.22 crore along with the monthly wages of Rs. 85.92 crore, for payment of pending honorarium for the lockdown period.

It may be mentioned here that JD(S) MLC Marithibbegowda had extended support for the cause of Guest Lecturers who had resorted to weekly strike seeking payment of honorarium.

MLC wants inclusion of Science subjects in Diploma course

Mysuru, Nov.19 (PM&DM)- Taking objection to the dropping of Applied Science subjects and practicals in Engineering Diploma course (C-20) curriculum, JD(S) MLC Marithibbegowda has urged the Higher Education Minister to include Science subjects in Diploma course as per AICTE Rules.

In a press release, he said that recently, the Technical Education Department had dropped two Science subjects from Diploma curriculum, ignoring the rules set out by Course Development Council (CDC).

Pointing out that Bachelor of Engineering courses have Science subjects, the MLC maintained that it is unscientific on the part of the Technical Education Department to drop Science subjects.

Maintaining that Diploma students will find it difficult when they join BE courses, he said that PUC students will find it much easier than their counterparts from Diploma stream during engineering course.

Stressing on the importance of having Science subjects in Diploma course, the MLC wanted the Technical Education Department to set right the anomaly and include Science subjects in Diploma course in the academic interests of Diploma students who want to pursue BE course.

Scholarship for Trimatastha Brahmin students

Mysuru, Nov. 19- Adarsha Seva Sangha, Mysuru, has invited applications for Students' Scholarship from Trimatastha Brahmin community who are studying in Mysuru city and have secured more than 80% of marks in the SSLC and Post-SSLC Examination held during 2020 and their total family income must not exceed Rs. 3 lakh per annum.

The Sangha is also honouring the meritorious students who have secured more than 90% of marks in SSLC and PUC (85% for rural students) and have passed all other courses examination (Diploma/ Degree/ Post-Graduation) held during 2020. Those eligible may apply for Pratibha Puraskar.

In view of COVID-19 pandemic, applications can be obtained only through website: *adarshasevasangha.org* from Nov. 20.

Releasing of scholarship is tentatively planned during last week of January 2021.

Talk on "Children's Literary Club"

Dr. Purnima

Mysuru, Nov.19- Dr. R. Purnima, formerly Professor of English, KSOU and presently Director, Children's Literary Club, has been invited by Akhila Bharatiya Sahitya Parishad (ABSP), Mysuru, to deliver a talk on "Children's Literary Club's Engagement with Literature and Language" on Nov. 21 at 5 pm.

The link is *https://kraghushetty.webex.com,* according to a press release.

ಶ್ರೀ ಚಾಮರಾಜೇಂದ್ರ ಮೃಗಾಲಯ, ಮೈಸೂರು

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NEWS BRIEFS

Open Book Exam

The last date for online payment of exam fee for Open Book Exam to be conducted by Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) for students who have taken admissions to first year BA, B.Com, first year MA, M.Com, first semester M.Sc and first and third semester MBA for the academic year 2019-20, without fine, is Dec. 17 and with late fee of Rs. 200 is Dec. 28. For details, visit KSOU website: *www.ksoumysuru.ac.in* or contact Mob: 88003-35638.

Annual Meeting

The Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of Mysuru Souharda Housing Co-operative Society Ltd. will be held at Hotel Siddartha in Nazarbad on Nov. 22 at 11 am. Society President Shantaraju will preside, according to a press release from the Society Secretary. [Mob: 90087-09756]

Fee Payment

The last date for payment of course fees and submission of applications for students who have registered through the online portal and qualified through the entrance test for admission to PG courses in University of Mysore (2020-21) under Scheme A and B is Nov. 24. For details, log on *www.uni-mysore.ac.in* or contact Ph: 0821-2419605 or 2419609 or 2419611.

Hindi teachers' list

Karnataka Secondary Education Examination Board (KSEEB), Dept. of Public Instruction, Mysuru Division, has published revised 1:1 main selection list of High School Hindi Teachers (2014-15) on Nov. 13 in the Department's website, *(www.schooleducation.kar.nic.in)*. Selected candidates of Mysuru Division must attend the counselling at the Office of the Divisional Secretary and ex-Officio Joint Director, Dept. of Public Instruction, KSEEB, D. Subbaiah Road, Mysuru, with all original documents.

KRS Water Level

(Maximum : 124.80 feet)

Today	123.00 ft
Yesterday	123.14 ft
Inflow	3,744 cusecs
Outflow	5,754 cusecs

Kabini Level

(Maximum : 2,284.00 feet)

Today	2,276.74 ft
Inflow	421 cusecs
Outflow	2,190 cusecs

Harangi Level

(Maximum : 2,859.00 feet)

Today	2,846.53 ft
Inflow	106 cusecs
Outflow	1,775 cusecs

Girl's murder case

Periyapatna Police arrest another accused

Periyapatna, Nov. 19 (KS)- Periyapatna Police, who had arrested a youth on charges of killing a girl and burning her body and were on a lookout to nab his accomplice, who helped him in the crime, have finally arrested him.

The Police, had earlier arrested 24-year-old Siddaraju of Karalapura, who is said to be the lover of the victim Bhavya (name changed). She was a resident of Hullahalli in the taluk and was working as a typist at an advocate's office.

The Police, who arrested Siddaraju had interrogated him during which he confessed of raping and killing Bhavya and setting her body on fire on the roadside near K.R. Nagar-Ravandur Main Road in Periyapatna Police limits along with his friend Prasanna Kumar of Chamalapuradahundi village.

The Police, who had launched a hunt to nab Prasanna Kumar, have finally arrested him. With his arrest, the Police have arrested two persons in the case.

It may be recalled that Bhavya and Siddaraju were in love and as Bhavya began to pressurise him for marriage, Siddaraju, along with his friend Prasanna Kumar, took Bhavya in a car on Nov. 7 afternoon, where they alleged raped and killed her. On Nov. 8, they took her body in the car and dumped it on the roadside near K.R. Nagar-Ravandur Main Road in Periyapatna Police limits, poured petrol on the body and set it on fire.

Villagers, who saw the body still burning, with the upper portion completely charred, had informed Periyapatna Police. A case was registered at Periyapatna Police Station.

The accused were arrested on Nov. 15 and were interrogated. The Police have also seized the car used for the crime.

Three arrested for stealing furniture wood

Wood worth Rs. 1.20 lakh recovered

Bylakuppe, Nov. 19 (Rajesh& KS)- Bylakuppe Police have arrested three persons for stealing Jungle Jack furniture wood and have recovered the stolen wood worth Rs. 1.20 lakh from them.

The arrested are 48-year-old Srinivas and 47-year-old Ameer of Koppa Village and 46-year-old Faizoz of Girugoru village in Periyapatna taluk.

One Murugesh of Madapatna village in Kodagu, had taken a house belonging to Puttabasamma near the Golden Temple on rent and had stored Rs. 1.20 lakh worth Wild Jack or Jungle Jack wood used for furniture making in the house.

But the three accused had somehow managed to steel the wood from the house. Murugesh, who came to know about the theft, had lodged a complaint with Bylakuppe Police.

Bylakuppe Inspector M.S. Puttaraju, based on the complaint, had registered a case and along with ASIs Shivaraj and Nanjunda Raje Urs and staff Jayakumar, Somashekar, Siddaraju, Shivanna, Shatrugna, Mahadev, Annaiah and Umesh, began their investigation and cornered the accused along with the stolen wood and finally arrested them.

The accused were produced before the Judge at Periyapatna Court, who remanded them (accused) to judicial custody.

Leopard trapped at Hunsur

Hunsur, Nov. 19 (Raghu& KS)- A leopard, that was raiding villages and killing livestock, has been caught by the Forest Department. The 4-year-old leopard walked into the cage and got trapped yesterday.

Following the leopard killing two goats, two sheep, five dogs and one calf, belonging to the villagers of Dodda Hunsur, they had lodged a complaint with the Forest Dept. and had urged the officials to trap the leopard and relocate it elsewhere.

Following their appeal, the Forest Dept. officials had placed a cage in the field of Bheemaiah at Dodda Hunsur and had tied a dog as a bait to lure the leopard. The leopard, for a easy meal, walked into the cage in the wee hours of yesterday and got trapped.

DCF Poovaiah and ACF Somappa supervised RFO Sandeep, DRFO Mallikarjunaswamy, Watcher Shiva Shekar, Manohar and Satish in the trapping operation.

The trapped leopard was later released into D.B. Kuppe Range of Antharasanthe Zone in Nagarahole Reserve Forest.

Frequent spotting of snakes worries residents

Snake rescuers ask residents to take precautions, be cautious

Mysuru, Nov. 19 (SBD&KS)- Frequent sighting of snakes at houses and nearby places have left the residents a worried lot while snake rescuers have advised the residents to take precautions and avoid snakes entering their homes.

On Monday itself, Surya Keerthi, son of city's well-known snake rescuer and wildlife conservationist Snake Shyam, has rescued more than 10 snakes including Vipers, Spectacled Cobras and Rat Snakes among other snakes in city. Surya, who is following his father's footsteps, has rescued more than 4,000 snakes in a span of two years and the father-son duo has rescued about 400 snakes during the lockdown period.

Take precautions and be cautious

Giving his piece of advise to the residents, Surya said that cold season or weather is the mating time for snakes and they come out from their nesting places. Likewise, during summer, eggs hatch and snakelets come out.

It is during these times, the residents have to be cautious and take precautions, he said and added that as snakes need warm places, they try to find shelter in empty boxes and shoes left outside houses and also among empty coconut shells, firewood piles, dry leaves heap and other things that are stocked outside homes.

He further said that it is very dangerous to wear shoes that are left outside without inspecting it properly as a snake may have taken shelter inside it and if one tries to wear it, they may get bitten. He has urged the residents not to leave their footwear outside and also not to stock unnecessary things in the compound as snakes find it as a perfect place to hide. Snakes when threatened or disturbed, tend to attack for defending itself and added that identifying snakes and distinguishing them between venomous and non-venomous snakes is very important and catching or rescuing a snake is an art. He has urged the public not to attempt to catch or rescue snakes if they do not know about snakes as it may prove danger to them.

Rare flying snake rescued

Kemparaju, a snake rescuer, has rescued a rare flying snake at RBI Quarters. The snake was spotted since a week at the quarters and had created panic among the people. It may be recalled that Snake Shyam had rescued another flying snake (Ornate Flying Snake) on Ramanuja Road 4th Cross here in July.

Prepare proposal to supply water to three Assembly segments: MP

Mysuru, Nov. 19 (RKB&SSV)- Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha has asked officials of Mysuru Zilla Panchayat and Karnataka Urban Water Supply and Sewerage Board (KUWS&SB) to submit a proposal within a week on supplying drinking water to villages in Periyapatna, Hunsur and Chamundeshwari Assembly segments through river source.

Chairing a meeting to review the progress of 'Jal Jeevan Mission,' a Central Government sponsored scheme in the district here on Tuesday, he said it was possible to bring water from Periyapatna Hadya to the town. But they need to prepare a suitable proposal to supply at least 11 MLD of water.

Engineers of ZP and KUWS&SB informed the MP that with this scheme, it was possible to supply water to nearly 60 villages on both sides of the pipeline. Agreeing to this, he asked them to prepare proposal accordingly.

Officials also placed before the meeting a Rs. 200 crore project to supply drinking water to 224 villages in Periyapatna taluk from Muttinamulasoge village. The MP promised to get the project sanctioned from the State Government.

Simha opined that it was possible to provide water to additional 20 villages by upgrading Multi-Village Drinking Water scheme which has been originally designed to supply water to 51 villages in Yelwal of Mysuru district.

Land acquisition was in progress for Old Unduwadi scheme and technical bid has been opened. Those qualified in this will be allowed to participate in financial bid.

He said motor-fixing work was complete in Belagola-Melapura Pumping Station, and the company officials are visiting soon to set right technical problems.

Officials of KUWS&SB Hunsur must prepare a plan to check pollution of Lakshmantheertha River immediately.

Already, an undertaking has been filed in Green Bench of the Supreme Court, he added.

House burgled in city

Mysuru, Nov. 19 (YDS&KS)- House burglars, who gained entry into a house at Lakshmikanthanagar in Hebbal by breaking open the door lock, have decamped with Rs. 70,000 cash from the house on Tuesday night.

The burglary took place at the house of Puneeth. He (Puneeth), along with his family members, had gone to a relative's house on Nov. 14 and when they returned the next day, they found the door lock broken and on entering the house, they found Rs. 70,000 cash kept in the almirah missing and immediately lodged a complaint.

Hebbal Police, who have registered a case, are investigating.

Miscreants torch Nellur Shed Layout name board

Mysuru, Nov. 19 (MK&KS)- Miscreants, on Tuesday night, have allegedly torched the name board of Nellur Shed Layout at Ashokapuram, which was recently changed as 'Buddha Nagar.'

The name board had the name 'Nellur Shed Layout' earlier, which was changed to 'Buddha Nagar' on Oct. 12.

The name board had the portraits of Buddha, Basavanna, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar and Babu Jagjeevan Ram printed on it, which has been torched, Police said.

Based on a complaint, Ashokapuram Police, who have registered a case in this regard, have launched a hunt to nab the miscreants.

Chopped body parts of teenage girl found in gunny bag near K.R. Pet

K.R. Pet, Nov. 19 (KS)- An incident of a teenage girl being allegedly murdered, body chopped into pieces and dumped in a gunny bag has come to light lately in K.R. Pet taluk.

The gunny bag, with body parts inside it, was found by the public near the main gate of Trishul Power Pvt. Ltd, a hydro-electric power generation unit near Hemagiri in K.R. Pet taluk.

As foul smell was emanating from the gunny bag, the public informed the Police, who rushed to the spot.

On inspecting the gunny bag, the Police found chopped body pieces of a girl aged between 20 and 25 years. The girl was wearing a nose stud with red stone, has a tattoo of a fish on her right hand, Police said.

Nagamangala Dy.SP Naveen Kumar, K.R. Pet Circle Inspector K.N. Sudhakar, K.R. Pet Rural Sub-Inspector Suresh and others visited the spot and conducted preliminary investigation.

The Police have requested those having any information about the deceased girl to contact K.R. Pet Rural Police, who have registered a case.

Former SJCE Principal passes away

Dr. M. Shanthakumar

Mysuru, Nov. 19 - Dr. M. Shanthakumar (75), retired Principal of Sri Jayachamarajendra College of Engineering (SJCE), passed away in the wee hours of yesterday in Bengaluru.

He leaves behind his wife Vasundhara S. Kumar, a writer, one son, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed in Bengaluru yesterday, according to sources.

Dr. Shanthakumar joined SJCE on Nov. 4, 1978 as a Mathematics Professor and also served as the Head of the Department. He later served as the Principal from Oct. 18, 2001 till his retirement on Oct. 31, 2003, thus serving SJCE for 25 years. He had also served as the Warden of the Boys' Hostel of the College.

He had published a few books on Mathematics for students.

Dr. Shanthakumar also served as a Special Officer at Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU) besides serving as the Administrative Officer of JSS Medical College and Principal of JSS Academy of Technical Education at Mauritius.

A condolence meeting was held at SJCE yesterday morning to pay tributes to the departed soul.

Former DG&IGP and former IPS Officer no more

T. Srinivasulu

Bengaluru, Nov. 19- T. Srinivasulu (80), former Director General and Inspector General of Police (DG&IGP) of Karnataka, passed away at a private hospital in Bengaluru early this morning following brief illness.

Srinivasulu, a 1964 batch IPS Officer, was a native of Kurnool in neighbouring Andhra Pradesh. He had served as Karnataka DG&IGP in the late nineties.

His last rites will be performed at Kalpalli Crematorium in Bengaluru later this evening, according to Police sources.

Former IPS Officer S.C. Saxena

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Former IPS Officer S.C. Saxena (70) passed away at a private Hospital in Bengaluru on Wednesday following brief illness.

Saxena was a 1976 batch IPS officer of Karnataka cadre and had served the State for over three decades.

Last rites were held at Hebbal crematorium yesterday.

Obituary

Shashikala

Mysuru, Nov. 19- Shashikala (68), wife of retired teacher Raghavendra and a resident of Vivekanandanagar, passed away yesterday morning in city.

She leaves behind her husband, two sons, a daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill yesterday evening.

Rangappa

Rangappa (80), a resident of Gundurao Nagar, passed away yesterday afternoon in city.

He leaves behind his wife, two sons, three daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill this morning.

Jayamma

Jayamma (75), a resident of 7th Cross in Paduvarahalli, passed away yesterday evening following heart attack.

She leaves behind her son K.H. Chandru, a photo journalist and a host of relatives and friends.

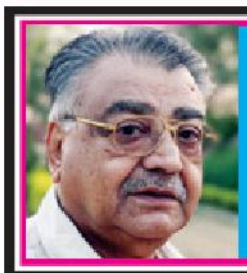
Last rites were performed at Chirashantidhama in Gokulam this morning.

D. Srinivas

D. Srinivas, retired Superintendent of the Health Department and a resident of Kuvempunagar, passed away on Sunday in city.

He leaves behind his wife, a son, a daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at Muktidhama in Vijayanagar 4th Stage on Sunday evening.



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By K.B. Ganapathy

Rambling thoughts on Arnab Goswami's arrest, release and our legal system

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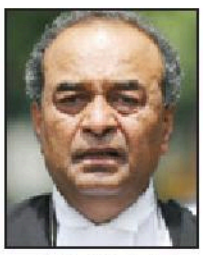
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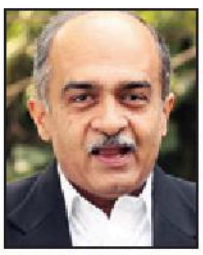
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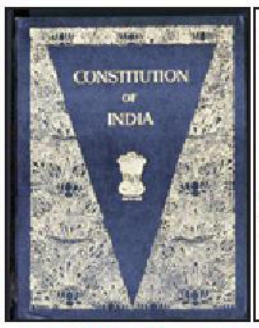

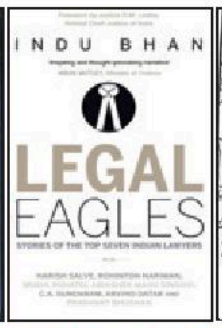

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In my recent memory, no arrest of a journalist had roused as much disturbing feelings as when Arnab Goswami, the Chief of the *Republic TV,* was arrested on Nov. 4, 2020. For me, as a student of law and a journalist, it was most intriguing because he was NOT arrested for reasons of any violation of law relating to journalism.

In the beginning I thought, while randomly scrolling the TV channels, that he was arrested for making allegations against the Maharashtra Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray and for addressing Sonia Gandhi and the Congress Party in his own style, by the Maharashtra Police, considering it as defamatory under the IPC or some other related criminal law. But it was not so.

He was arrested, along with two other persons, in connection with a case of "abetment to commit suicide" based on their names being mentioned in a suicide note of a person who had executed some interior design work etc., for these three persons and allegedly the bill was not settled fully. The case was closed by the Police after enquiry in the year 2018. Let it be.

The nitty-gritty of legal procedures in the Chief Judicial Magistrate's (CJM) Court and the next higher Sessions Court and the High Court of Bombay is now in the public knowledge. It took eight days and an advocate of international stature Harish Salve to get him bail from the Supreme Court of India and free Arnab Goswami and the other two accused persons.

After he was freed under bail, as expected there was much sound and furry signifying not "nothing", as Shakespeare would say, but exposing many weak links in our criminal law. It was obvious there were many loopholes in the law. The power to enforce the law by Prosecuting authority (the State) and, more importantly, the **discretionary power** of the Judges to interpret the law according to their own wisdom, understanding or concern need to be reviewed in a Free country.

Knowing Arnab Goswami, by looking at his theatrics on the TV channel and also aggressive nature, he was not the one to miss the opportunity to declare his victory to the world (of his TV viewers) in as dramatic and loud a manner as was possible. At the end of it all I was wondering whether the issue before the Court was about the alleged "abetment to commit suicide" case or the question of Freedom of the Press. This because, I read and also heard (on TV) about the question of Freedom of Press being discussed.

Of course, it would be interesting to know the march of law with regard to the re-opened criminal case in the CJM's Court. Let us look forward for another legal battle and await the result — whether the State Power will win or the accused. That probably would be the second round of this war of attrition between the State of Maharashtra and Arnab Goswami, of course, along with other two accused.

Be that as it may, why are we in this kind of anomalous, grey, incomprehensible and highly elastic legal conundrum which is the main cause for flooding of cases in Courts and even at official levels leading to inordinate delay in delivering justice? No citizen of this free country today is happy with our legal system because of its cob-web-like complexity.

I guess Mahatma Gandhi got us freedom from the British rule hoping that the political freedom from British would further the cause of giving our people all other collateral freedom that our people should get — and for this very reason the Founding Fathers of our Constitution enshrined the most, I repeat, the most important Article 19 in our Constitution. Now what are those Rights to Freedom? The Article enumerates what rights all citizens of our country shall have. They are:

a) The Freedom of Speech and Expression.
b) Freedom to assemble peaceably and without arms.
c) Freedom to form Associations and Unions.
d) Freedom to move freely throughout the territory of India.
e) Freedom to reside and settle in any part of the territory of India.
f) *[Originally it was about the freedom to acquire hold and dispose of property etc., but it was omitted, I think, by an amendment Act 1978.]
g) Freedom to practice any profession or to carry on any occupation.

However, these freedoms are qualified to come with a caveat as mentioned thereon. Probably that is the reason why Kashmir which had a special status was integrated with the rest of India by abrogating Article 370.

I was just wondering why we were not able to have the Right to Freedom, given to us under Article 19, absolutely and in its totality. Well, my dear readers, just two days back while reading an interesting book about a political leader of our country I got the answer. Let me just quote the paragraph and be done with my rambling thoughts.

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Now the question is: How do we get over the British hangover completely and restore the power and value of Article 19 (Right to Freedom) as was conceived when the Constitution was first framed?

Recently I came to know of a book *"Legal Eagles - Stories of The Top Seven Indian Lawyers."* Time, a Committee of such lawyers and other intellectuals be formed to study and make suggestions to reform our legal system, laws and restore the power and glory of Article 19 of our Constitution, so that the dream of Mahatma Gandhi as mentioned earlier may be realised at least from now on as a truly "Free India." Some hope.

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Gangothri Departments to work full-fledge from Nov. 23

Mysuru, Nov. 19 (PM&SSV) - All Departments in Manasagangothri campus are likely to work full-fledged from Nov. 23 since a majority of students have not undergone the mandatory RT-PCR test.

Prof. R. Shivappa, Registrar (Administration), University of Mysore, told *SOM* that all safety measures have been taken to ensure the safety of students, teaching and non-teaching staff. Though offline classes for final year UG and PG students started since Nov. 17, the response has been tepid due to fear of pandemic. The number of students coming to testing centres within the Gangothri campus is very negligible. Now, those students seem to have understood the importance of obtaining test report to attend the classes.

He said as many as 35,698 final year UG students are studying in 231 affiliated Degree Colleges in Mysuru, Chamarajanagar, Hassan and Mandya districts. Similarly, 6,957 PG final year students are also pursuing studies in various Colleges. They have to undergo testing if they wanted to attend the classes personally or else they are free to attend online classes since no pressure was put on them by the Varsity authorities. "With plenty of students yet to undergo testing, it has been decided to start the classes in Gangothri from Monday."

KPSC postpones KAS Main Exams

Bengaluru, Nov. 19- Following persistent demand from candidates, the Karnataka Public Service Commission (KPSC) this morning announced that it was postponing the KAS Main Exams (Gazetted Probationers) by over a month. The KAS Main Exam will now be held from Feb. 13 to 16. The KPSC announcement comes after the candidates, who had qualified for the Main Exams, demanded that the KPSC postpone the Main Exam, which was originally scheduled to take place in the first week of January, 2021, which dates were close to the UPSC exam.

The candidates had also contended that they had little time to prepare for KAS Main Exam, as the exam was scheduled to take place only a few days after the UPSC Exam. The KPSC's announcement postponing the Main Exam, has come as a big relief to Civil Service aspirants, who had also petitioned the Chief Minister seeking postponement of KAS Main Exams.

Jayalakshmipuram Police hold COVID awareness drive at Kukkarahalli Lake

Distribute about 150 face masks to morning walkers

Mysuru, Nov. 19 (RK&KS)- As part of its month-long COVID-19 awareness drive, Jayalakshmipuram Police conducted a session to morning walkers, especially senior citizens, at Kukkarahalli Lake this morning.

Led by Inspector Rajesh, the Police team, which got all senior citizens who had come for their morning walk together, advised them to stay at home as they could easily contract the virus.

The Police also asked the senior citizens to walk at home or in the compound or on the terrace and refrain from moving outside for their safety.

The Cops also distributed handbills containing messages and information pertaining to the precautions to be taken to prevent contracting and spreading Coronavirus.

Face masks distributed

During the drive, the Police found many walkers not wearing face masks while a few were found wearing face masks on their chin instead of coving their mouth and nose. The Cops advised them to wear face masks correctly and distributed about 150 face masks to those who had not worn them.

Car owners were also advised to wear masks irrespective of the number of occupants as there was an order making it mandatory to wear face mask even if only one person was travelling in the car.

Yesterday, similar drives were conducted by V.V. Puram and Mandi Police in their jurisdictions.

While V.V. Puram Police, led by Sub-Inspector Radha and staff, conducted the drive at the community centre at Manjunatapura, Mandi Inspector Narayanaswamy, along with ASI Jairaj and team, conducted the awareness drive near the Private Bus Stand on Sayyaji Rao Road.

The Police personnel urged the public to wear face masks, maintain social distancing and to take all necessary precautions to prevent contracting the virus and spreading the same.

It's official...

DKS' daughter gets engaged to Coffee Day Founder's son

The engagement ceremony of Aishwarya, daughter of former Minister and Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee (KPCC) President D.K. Shivakumar, with Amartya Hegde, son of Cafe Coffee Day Founder late V.G. Siddhartha, was held at a private hotel in Bengaluru this morning. The formalities of 'gatti maatu' (loosely translated as 'confirming a marriage') was held at Shivakumar's residence in Sadashivanagar on June 15 this year in the presence of Amartya Hegde's family members, including his mother Malavika Siddhartha, maternal grandfather and former External Affairs Minister S.M. Krishna and his wife.

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Decoding Mythology

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Axe of Parasurama

Parasurama is the sixth avatar of Vishnu, also one of the most controversial ones. This is why we do not see many temples dedicated to him. If we do, we find them along the Konkan coast and Karnataka, as a subsidiary shrine, in temples related to his mother, Renuka. There are two reasons for his controversial nature.

The first is his relationship with his mother. The story goes that Jamadagni had married Princess Renuka and she had borne him five sons. One day, she saw the reflection of a Gandharva on the waters while collecting water from a river. Some say, it was a king called Kartavirya Arjuna. She experienced desire for him momentarily. As a result, she lost her magical power, resulting from chastity and fidelity, to collect water in unbaked pots.

When her husband realised the momentary lapse in her fidelity, he ordered that she be beheaded. Even though she had never acted on the fleeting thought, he refused to forgive her. The elder four sons refused to obey their father. So, they were cursed to become eunuchs. The youngest son, Parasurama, obeyed his father. He raised his axe and beheaded his mother. He then asked his father to resurrect her using his magical powers.

Hindutva does not talk about this side of Parasurama. It prefers to talk of the second side of Parasurama, where a king called Kartavirya Arjuna tried to steal his father's cow. In the skirmish that followed, he beheaded his father. For this crime, Parasurama killed not only Kartavirya Arjuna, but also his sons and all the kshatriya kings of the earth, who supported him.

He filled five lakes with their blood. For this act of violence, he thus became the lord of all of the Aryan lands. He gave away these lands to the brahmins. Then, he threw his axe into the sea, which recoiled in horror, to reveal the land which is the Konkan coast in Kerala.

We are told that Parasurama was ostracised by the brahmin community. He decided to create warrior monks using his powers in these coastal lands, who would fight unrighteous kings. It is said that no brahmin was willing to follow Parasurama. So, he resurrected dead brahmins. Since they were resurrected and purified (pavan) from the funeral pyre (chita), they came to be known as Chitpavan brahmins, who played a key role in the building of the Maratha Empire.

Parasurama taught martial arts to the Nairs of Kerala. And, as per some Rajputs, he performed "havan" and from fire gave birth to Agnikula Rajputs, the fireborn royal sons, replacing earlier Kshatriya order.

Across India, Hindutva has raised gigantic muscular images of Parasurama wielding an axe, the same axe that was used to behead both Renuka and Kartarvirya Arjuna — perhaps warning women and men not to break their alignment with the Hindutva moral code.

Parasurama's violence is valorised as good violence, dharmic himsa. Ironically, what is left unsaid, is that the students of Parasurama — Bhisma, Drona and Karna — were all seen as adharmic by Krishna, the eighth avatar of Vishnu, and were killed for displaying loyalty to Kauravas who refused to share wealth with the Pandavas.

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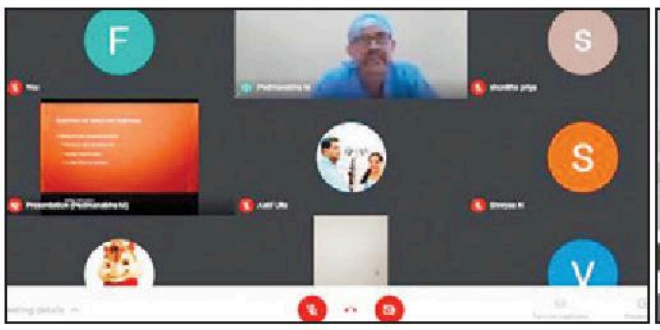
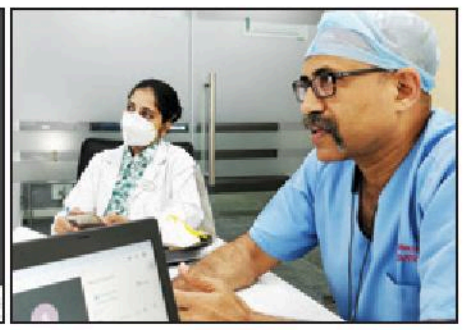
Session on 'Children and their new lifestyle amidst the pandemic'





Dr. Bhuvaneshwar, Consultant Paediatrician and Shifain, Dietitian, during the online session.

162 students and their parents participate in the event conducted by Columbia Asia Hospital and Delhi Public School

Mysuru, Nov. 19- Columbia Asia Hospital, Mysuru, in association with Delhi Public School, had organised a session on "Children and their new lifestyle amidst the pandemic and a healthy diet" for the students of Delhi Public School on Nov. 17.

The online session was on the impact of pandemic on their lifestyle and how they can overcome the stress and other changes they are going through in the last few months.

While addressing the students, Dr. Bhuvaneshwar, Consultant Paediatrician, Columbia Asia Hospital, highlighted on the sudden change in lifestyle that the students are facing in the recent days. He said "The pandemic has impacted the overall activity of the children from schooling to the outdoor games. Kids are glued to the laptop and TV screen most of the time and they are unable to step out for any of the outdoor activities. There is lack of interpersonal communication with the teachers and friends thereby voiding them of social development. Although, all these activities look normal now, it can impact the overall development of a child."

The session covered topics on the change in education method during COVID times, stress and health issues faced by the children and what measures can be taken to avoid this.

Few pointers discussed during the webinar session are:

Increased screen time: Online classes have increased the screen time of kids during their school hours as well as rest of the day. Assignments and research is exposing them to more digital time.

Solution: Engage kids in any hobby after the school hours like painting, gardening, crafts etc.

Impact on posture: Maintaining right posture while sitting in front of the computer and laptop is important.

Solution: Don't let them sit on the sofa or couch while attending classes. Make a proper table and chair arrangement and ensure their back is resting straight on the chair.

Lack of playtime: Playtime is also taken over by TV, laptop or video games as parents are worried to send the child outside the house.

Solution: Engage them in indoor games. Try to play badminton or cricket with them inside the house gate. This can also give them physical activity.

Mental health: It has been observed that the pressure of online classes has affected the mental health of few kids as they are unable to have physical interaction with their teachers and friends.

Solution: Discuss with them regularly about their classes. Encourage them to ask you questions. Meditation can also help in managing good mental health.

Sedentary lifestyle: Sedentary lifestyle is another problem which has affected the kids due to online classes as they do not step out of the house.

Solution: Exercising every day for 20-30 minutes helps to overcome this.

Talking about the online classes, Namrata Sharma, Principal, Delhi Public School, said "The session organised by Columbia Asia Hospital was informative for students to understand the change in lifestyle they are going through. We are happy to collaborate with the hospital for this educative session. To avoid any sort of stress or discomfort for our students during the class hours, we make it more interactive and encourage them to ask questions."

Highlighting the importance of having a good diet during the online classes, Shifain, Dietitian, Columbia Asia Hospital, said "Eating healthy food is crucial to maintain a good health. As the kids are at home all the time, they demand for junk food. But the parents need to control the consumption of junk food by the kids."

- Consuming fibre rich food is important.
- Avoid junk food like pasta, pizza, deep fried snacks. Include nuts, seeds in the snack.
- Make colourful salad to attract kids to eat more vegetables.
- Add leafy vegetables in the diet.
- Encourage kids to have all meals — Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Newly elected to Vidyavardhaka Sangha

Vidyavardhaka Sangha (V.V. Sangha) recently held elections to the Board of Management for a five-year term. Picture shows the new team members** (sitting from left) **Abdul Jameel, Secretary P. Viswanath, President Gundappa Gowda, Vice-President B. Shivalingappa, Treasurer Sreeshaila Ramannavar and Swamilingappa;** (standing from left) **Shivalingaiah, MSM Sharma, Gopal Reddy, T. Nagaraju, Thammana and Chandrashekar.

MP CM Shivraj Chouhan visits Melukote; promises Silver Chariot to Lord

Madhya Pradesh (MP) Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan** (sitting third from right) **with his family visited Sri Cheluvanarayanaswamy temple at Melukote in Mandya district on Wednesday.

Mandya, Nov. 19- Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan visited Sri Cheluvanarayanaswamy temple at Melukote in Mandya district yesterday following realisation of his '*mannat*' (wish) to become the CM again.

Accompanied by his family members, Chouhan arrived in a special plane at Mandakalli Airport in Mysuru and reached Melukote by road. In the morning, he visited Tirupati to have *darshan* of Lord Venkateshwara, and then came to Melukote to offer special puja to the deity.

This is not for the first time Chouhan was visiting Melukote. When he had lost power, he came to Melukote as Opposition Leader and had conducted special puja. Chouhan had vowed to come again if his wish of becoming the CM again materialised. After becoming the CM, he came here. Recently, he had vowed to come if he continues in power following by-elections held to several Assembly seats in Madhya Pradesh. His position consolidated after his party won the maximum number of seats recently.

"I became the CM after having darshan of Lord Cheluvanarayanaswamy. As per the wishes of Mandya Deputy Commissioner Dr. M.V. Venkatesh and priests, I have decided to offer 'Samarabhupala' silver chariot to the presiding deity. God has given me power and strength to serve poor and needy. Accordingly, I will discharge my duty honestly. I will come personally to handover the silver chariot," he told the media persons.

As soon as he came to the temple, a traditional welcome was offered to him by temple authorities. He and his family members had darshan of Lord Cheluvanarayanaswamy and Yadugiri Nayaki Bhagavadramanujacharya. His family was blessed with Rajashirvada by temple priests.

Earlier, Sthanacharya Srinivasa Narasimhan, Vidwan Rampriya Ramanuja Sannidhi Archak Vidwan Ramapriya and others appealed to the MP CM to present the silver chariot to the temple. The CM and his family members climbed the steps and had darshan of Yoga Narasimha.

Tight security arrangement was made at the shrine in view of the CM's visit. Pandavapura Assistant Commissioner Shivanandamurthy, Tahsildhar Pramod Patil, Temple Executive Officer Mangalamma, BJP leaders Naganna Gowda, Somashekar and Purushotham were present.

Vocal recital by Vidwan Manasa Nayana at Krishna Gana Sabha on Saturday

Mysuru, Nov. 19- Sri Krishna Gana Sabha has arranged a Karnatak Vocal Music Live as well as Online concert by Vidwan Manasa Nayana on Saturday (Nov.21) at 6 pm at Alwar Kala Bhavana in Gokulam.

The acompaying artistes are Vidushi Aditi Krishna Prakash on violin, Vidwan A. Radhesh on mridanga and Vidwan S. Manjunath on ghata.

Profile: Manasa Nayana was initiated into music by Vidushi S. K. Vasumathi. He was also trained under Vidwan Vairamangalam Lakshminarayana. But it was Sangeetha Kalanidhi Dr. R. K. Srikantan who was decisive in shaping his career in music.

When he took him under his wing, it was not just music that he taught him but a whole new way of life, the life of a musician. Adherence to tradition, vigorous presentation, clear diction and a rich repertoire of kritis are the hallmarks of Srikantan bani.

Currently, he is learning from Sangeetha Kalanidhi R. Vedavalli, another musician who stands for the very best of the values in Karnatak music. Apart from formal training, he also had the good fortune of learning from some of the leading exponents and acclaimed gurus of Karnatak music in workshops — Lalgudi G. Jayaraman, Madurai T.N. Seshagopalan, Chitravina N. Ravikiran, P.S. Narayanaswamy, J. Venkataraman, Pushpa Srinivasan, Nagamani Srinath, Dr. Sukanya Prabhakar and Dr. R. N. Srilatha, to name a few.

Link for online Music: Monthly concert at Krishna... www.youtube.com, https://y0utu.be/UqEE-XtpoBc, according to a press release from B.S. Sridhara Raj Urs, Sabha President.

Power disruption tomorrow

Mysuru, Nov. 19- Owing to emergency maintenance works, power supply will be disrupted tomorrow (Nov. 20) between 10 am and 5 pm in the following areas:

RK Power Distribution Centre: Sahukar Chennaiah Road, Saraswathipuram Police Quarters and Police Station Road, Maruthi temple road and surrounding areas. **Bannur Power Distribution Centre:** Bannur town, Kodagalli, Bisihalli, Heggur, Athahalli, Kethupura, Rangasamudra villages and Gram Panchayat limits. **Maliyuru Power Distribution Centre:** Doddabagilu village and Gram Panchayat limits, according to a press release from CESC.

Couple embarks on Tirupati *padayatra* to link Ganga-Cauvery Rivers

Mysuru, Nov.19 (RKB&SSV)- A couple from Mysuru has embarked on a *padayatra* to Tirumala-Tirupati in Andhra Pradesh demanding interlinking of Ganga-Cauvery rivers and effective steps to check spreading of COVID-19 pandemic.

C. Manjunath, a retired employee of Vikrant Tyre and his wife, Ratna Manjunath started the *padayatra* after offering special puja at Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple in city yesterday. The couple is planning to walk at least 45 kms daily. They are expected to reach Tirupati on Dec. 1, after night halting at various places.

This couple has the distinction of undertaking *padayatra* during every *Karthika Maasa* with one message. So far, they have done 27 *padayatras*. This time, the theme of their *padayatra* is interlinking of Ganga-Cauvery and COVID-19 pandemic.

MLA Munirathna offers special puja to Goddess Chamundeshwari

Mysuru, Nov.19 (MK&SSV)-After resounding victory in RR Nagar by-polls, N. Munirathna visited Sri Chamundeshwari Temple atop Chamundi Hill yesterday and offered special puja.

He was accompanied by Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha. It is learnt that he had vowed to come back and hold special puja if he wins in the by-elections. Accordingly, after winning in the by-polls, Munirathna completed his vow.

Simha has shared this picture in his Facebook account.

Devotees throng N'gud temple

Nanjangud, Nov.19 (RS&DM)- Braving continuous drizzle, hundreds of devotees thronged the famed Srikanteshwara temple in the town on the first *Karthika Maasa Monday* on Nov.16 and offered special prayers to the deity.

The temple, which was shut for devotees in March this year following the outbreak of the deadly COVID-19, was opened with certain restrictions a couple of months ago following relaxation in lockdown regulations. However, on the first *Karthika Monday*, the doors of the temple was fully opened with all usual temple sevas.

The devotees, who were delighted with the re-opening of the temple on a full scale after a gap of eight months, sought the blessings of the deity. The temple priests performed Abhishekas and all other associated rituals.

The devotees from different parts of the State who began to arrive in the temple town right from early morning, took a holy dip in Kapila river that flows through the town and lined up at the temple for darshan of the deity. Several devotees were seen performing *Sandhya Vandane, Mudiseve, Uruluseve*.

WORD OF THE DAY

Ex libris

Pronunciation: eks -lee-bris, lahy.
Meaning: An inscription in or on a book, to indicate the owner; bookplate.
Origin: Ex libris is a Latin prepositional phrase meaning "out of, from the books (of)." The phrase is composed of the preposition ex "out, out of" (it governs the ablative case), and librīs, the ablative plural of liber (stem libr-) "book," whose original Latin meaning was and always remained "inner bark of a tree, rind, bast." Liber comes from an unrecorded Latin luber or lubros, from lubh-, one of the variants of the Proto-Indo-European root leu-bh-, loubh– (also leub-, leup-) "to peel, peel off." Leubh– regularly becomes laub– in the Germanic languages, as in Gothic laufs, Old English lēaf "leaf" (from Germanic laufaz). Loubh– forms Lithuanian lubà "board" and lúobas "bark," and Albanian labë "rind, cork." The Latin preposition ex comes from Proto-Indo-European eghs "out, out of," becoming Greek ex, Old Irish ess-, ass-, Welsh eh-, Gaulish ex– (Gaulish is an extinct Celtic language of ancient Gaul), and Old Prussian es(teinu) "from (now on)." Ex libris entered English in the second half of the 19th century.
Example: What interested me wasn't the title or the author but the ex-libris pasted to the inside cover. It incorporated a coat of arms, a motto ... and a name engraved beneath in a heavy Gothic script: Anton Schwarz von Steiner.—Ross King, Ex Libris, 1998.

THE ODD WORD

Eccrinology

Study of excretion.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Everything but the kitchen sink

Meaning: Including nearly everything possible.
Origin: The origin of this phrase is not clear. Some people believe it might have originated from World War II. However, considering the expression exists in print from before that war, that is not the case. For example, the earliest one could find it in printed form is in a newspaper called *The Syracuse Herald,* 1918: "In fact, I shall rather enjoy the experience, though the stations are full of people trying to get out and the streets blocked with perambulators, bird cages and 'everything but the kitchen sink.' "
Interestingly, there's a similar phrase to this one that goes "everything but the stove" or "everything but the kitchen stove." An example of this other, similar phrase is seen in the Jeffersonville National Democraft, 1894: "I sold the chicken and got a dollar for them. John I got everything but the stove."

QUOTE BOX

If you can organise your kitchen, you can organise your life.

— Louis Parrish

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

"Evil"

Answer: Speak/talk of the devil.

SUDOKU

			7					4
	2					6		
1	5				2			
			3		8	5	4	
5			6		1			2
	3	9	2		5			
			5				3	7
		6					1	
4					3			

Answer to previous puzzle

4	7	3	9	1	5	2	6	8
1	2	5	4	6	8	7	9	3
9	8	6	7	3	2	1	4	5
3	4	7	8	5	1	8	2	9
6	9	2	3	8	7	4	5	1
5	1	8	2	9	4	3	7	6
2	5	9	8	4	3	6	1	7
8	6	4	1	7	9	5	3	2
7	3	1	5	2	6	9	8	4

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 A small blob or smear on a surface
4 Nativity trio from the New Testament
8 A watering place
11 "Rockaria!" band
12 Divisions
14 A unit of illumination
15 Uncooked, not ripe
16 Sacks
17 Acute Resp. Infection
18 Open grassland in South Africa
20 Roof overhang
22 Latin trio
24 Superlative suffix
25 Sharp pain
28 Workout or exercise place, in short
30 Fishing machine
34 2002 Winter Olympics host
35 Hit or throw a ball in a high arc
36 Damp or moist
37 Type of palm
39 Order of the British Empire, in short
40 Move through
41 Petname for Florence
43 Ex-P.M. Narsimha ___
45 Hurried or quick
48 Magistrates
52 Red Indian tribe
53 Came forth or sprang up?
57 Suffix with "eras" or "past"
58 Adjective meaning born, followed by maiden name
59 Deduce, evince or summon
60 "L" in L.A. the famous city ?
61 Ex-England skipper Dexter
62 River of Flanders
63 Long playing records, in short

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

A	C	T		K	I	W	I		M	A	R	S
U	Z	I		A	M	A	R		A	M	A	H
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U	R	N			F	R	I			N	A	N
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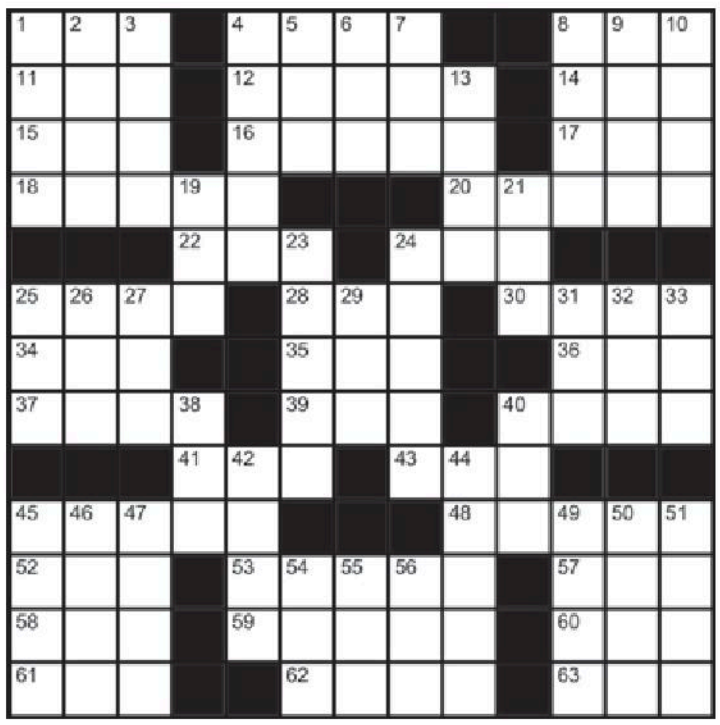
E	R	L	E		O	S	S	A		K	G	B
H	E	R	R		N	E	I	L		E	S	A

DOWN

1 Diesel oil, slang
2 Wings or winglike parts
3 ___ a maiden over : let no runs be scored?
4 Civilian dress
5 Black bird
6 ___ Forests : the lion sanctuary in Gujarat?
7 Suffix denoting native or inhabitant
8 East European
9 Neither sullied nor contaminated?
10 A line about which a body may revolve
13 Nav. readings
19 Use a spade
21 Air Transp. Radio
23 Eskimo dwelling
24 Glowing coal
25 A play on words
26 Airspeed Indicator
27 A short sleep
29 Teenage lout
31 Female sheep
32 "Even" in short for the poet
33 In short, suffix of all Indian PLC's?
38 At the stern
40 Grief
42 Musical instrument
44 Old fashioned name - "re-ban" anagram?
45 Look for prey
46 It fits to _ ___ : it fits perfectly? (1,3)
47 Plant the lawn
49 ____ and void?
50 Field yield
51 Myra ___ : famous pianist?
54 Creeper
55 Line from the Titanic
56 ___ out : make living or support with difficulty?



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

R AXLBKIPBIZ ZWRZ KXJC FBZBK ZX FRE FRQD URI

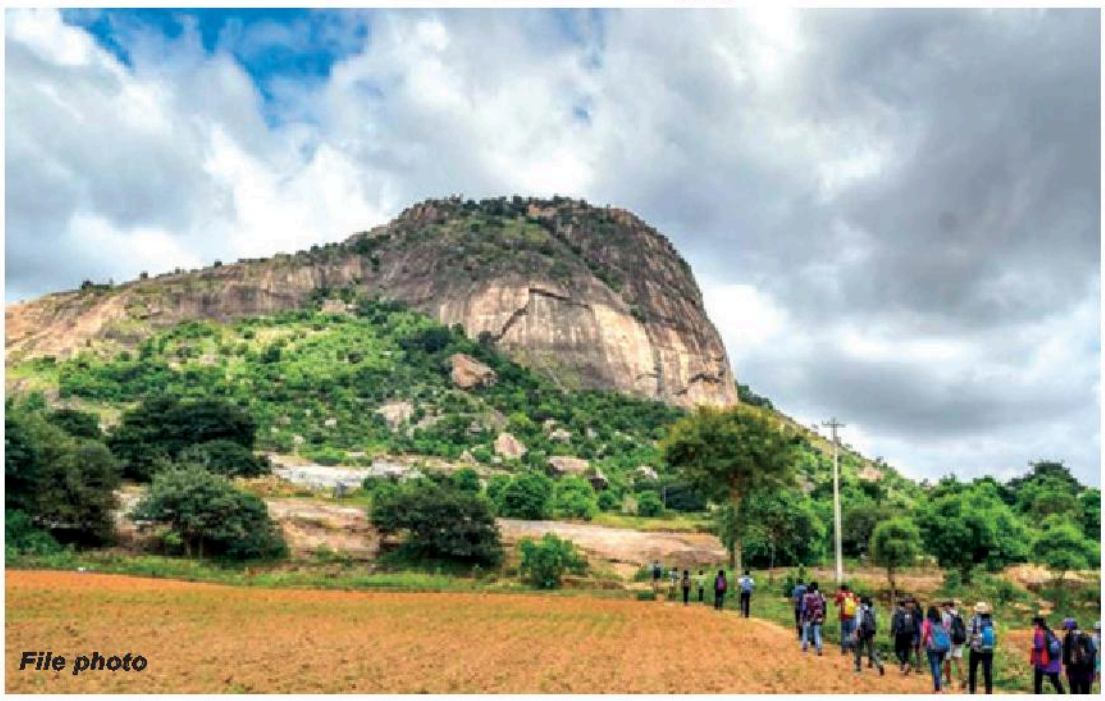
RDMREC YBFBIY XI ZWB CQFFXKZ XG FRQD.

TODAY'S CLUE: Z EQUALS T

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Education... has produced a vast population able to read but unable to distinguish what is worth reading.

NATIONAL HIKING DAY

City trekkers climb Kabbal Durga Fort



File photo

Mysuru, Nov. 19- Amidst the hue and cry of COVID-19 since last one year, the trekker's fraternity had not gone out since long and everybody were lingering out for outdoors and the National Hiking Day 2020 came as a blessing in disguise, for us to step out of the home and go outdoor, connect with the nature and imbibe the spirit of the adventure, says Namitha Nagaraj of IBM, Bengaluru.

Tiger Adventure Foundation, in association with The Mountain Goat, had organised a trek to Kabbal Durga Fort in Sathanur region as part of National Hiking Day on Nov. 17.

About six participants participated in the trek to the Kabbal Durga from Mysuru, Bengaluru and Hunsur. They hailed from different profession like poultry farmer, house wife, software professional, Govt. servants and business entrepreneur.

The day was celebrated to expose the families and the professionals to the nature and to give them a feel of the wilderness, says Sumangala Danthi, a housewife from Mysuru.

After ascending on the Fort, Praveen of Buhalli village, gave insight into Kabbal Durga Fort, and explained the legendary stories of the ruined Fort which was held by Hyder Ali after defeating the Maratha Chief Murari Rao Ghorpade in the 18th century and on the top, it has got Bheemalingeshwara and Kabbalamma Temple too.

The organisation had taken all the precautionary measures of the COVID-19 in the travel and in the trek too, says Bharath Somashekar of the All India Institute of the Speech and Hearing (AIISH).

Sharing his experience, Karan Manjunath, a poultry farmer from Mysuru, says: "though I studied in Mysuru, had not gone on a trail like this during academic days, but going on an adventure trail like this and exposure to bouldering, crossing the dangerous path on the trail was totally a enthralling experience."

The programme was co-ordinated by DSD Solanki, an ardent adventure enthusiast and the Chairman of Tiger Adventure Foundation.

Trekkers on the summit of Kabbal Durga Fort.

e-Yantra: Embedded Systems & Robotics Lab inaugurated at NIE

Mysuru, Nov. 19- Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering (ECE), National institute of Engineering (NIE), Mysuru, inaugurated 'e-Yantra - Embedded Systems & Robotic Lab' funded by the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) under National Mission on Education through Information and Communication Technology (ICT) via video-conference on Nov. 5, in collaboration with Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IIT-B), Mumbai.

Principal Investigator Prof. Kavi Arya inaugurated the NIE e-Yantra Robotics Laboratory via video-conference. He spoke on importance of entrepreneurship - that is, we should keep on reinventing ourselves and embrace change. He highlighted on Entrepreneurship which is not just starting a business, it needs to be in time with what will happen in future and prepare ourselves and our students accordingly.

He spoke about Atmanirbhar Bharat and entrepreneurship. This was followed by lighting of lamp through Raspberry pi IoT (virtually using an App developed by ECE Department). Official signage board of the Lab given by IIT-B was also unveiled.

Dr. Narasimha Kaulgud, Professor and HoD, ECE, NIE, presided. Patrons of the event are Dr. Rohini Nagapadma, Principal, NIE, Dr. N.V. Raghavendra, Vice-Principal, NIE and Dr. K.R. Prakash, Professor, Dept. of Mechanical Engineering, NIE. Organising members were Dr. C. Anjanappa, M.K. Vishwanath, Dr. C. Nagaraju, B.S. Sharmila, M.S. Deepthi and R. Mythri.

EVENTS TOMORROW (NOV. 20)

- **Dept. of Paediatrics & Neonatology, Cauvery Heart & Multi-Speciality Hospital:** Inauguration of renovated Advanced Neonatal ICU - State-of-the-art Level 2B NICU, Dr. S.N. Mothi, Chairman & Founder-Trustee, Asha Kirana Hospital, Mysuru and Senior Consultant Paediatrician, chief guest, Dr. Javeed Nayeem, Senior Consultant Physician & Diabetologist and President, MAHAN, guest of honour, NICU, 3rd Floor, Cauvery Heart & Multi-Speciality Hospital, **9.30 am.**
- **Hastashilpi:** 'Silk India-2020' expo, Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry, Vinoba Road, **10.30 am to 8.30 pm.**
- **Office of the Development Commissioner (Handlooms), Government of India (GoI), Ministry of Textiles, GoI, the Cauvery Handlooms, Bengaluru and the Department of Handloom & Textile & Commerce, Government of Karnataka (GoK) and JSS Mahavidyapeetha:** 'Samskruti-2020,' a Special Handloom Expo, District Minister S.T. Somashekar inaugurates, MLA G.T. Devegowda presides, **4 pm;** Expo, JSS Mysore Urban Haat premises, Hebbal, **up to 9 pm.** [City Bus No. 117 from KSRTC Bus Stand]
- **Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha:** Karnatak Classical Violin Concert by Vid. M. Sumanth, accompanied by Vid. Nikshit Puttur on mridanga, Vid. Sharath Kaushik on ghata, [Endowment Programme in memory of Rukmini Ammal and Ramaswamy Iyengar instituted by their children], Mysore K. Vasudevacharya Bhavan, JLB Road, Lakshmipuram, **6 pm.**

NOW SHOWING - MOVIES

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Biskoth (Ta)	(S-1)	11.05 am, 4.30 pm 7.00 pm
Irandam Kuththu (Ta)	(S-1)	1.40 pm, 9.30 pm
Shivarjuna (K)	(S-2)	1.15 pm
Trolls World Tour (E)	(S-2)	4.10 pm, 6.20 pm 8.30 pm
Dilwale Dulhania Le Jayenge (H)	(S-3)	11.50 am, 7.40 pm
Jab Tak Hai Jaan (H)	(S-3)	4.00 pm
Suraj Pe Mangal Bhari (H)	(S-4)	11.00 am, 1.55 pm 6.30 pm, 9.45 pm

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Suraj Pe Mangal Bhari (H)	(S-1)	10.55 am, 2.45 pm 6.20 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-2)	8.55 pm
Biskoth (Ta)	(S-2)	11.10 am
Dia (K)	(S-2)	2.00 pm
Irandam Kuththu (Ta)	(S-2)	5.40 pm
Ek Tha Tiger (H)	(S-3)	9.15 pm
Trolls World Tour (E)	(S-3)	10.40 am, 1.40 pm 4.10 pm, 6.40 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here. **The other multiplexes and single screen theatres are yet to open.**

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